

# SOLUBLE IRON DEPOSITION UNDER CMIP6 SCENARIOS

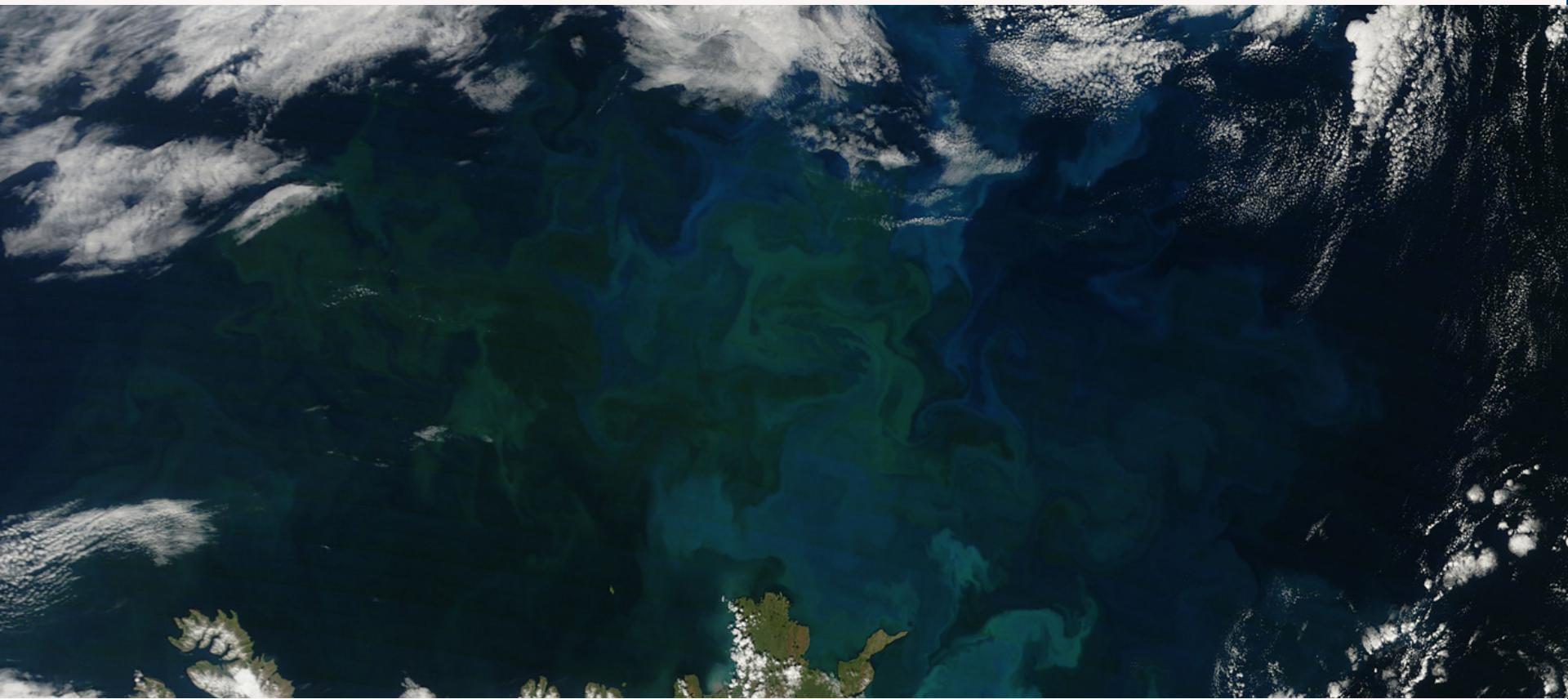
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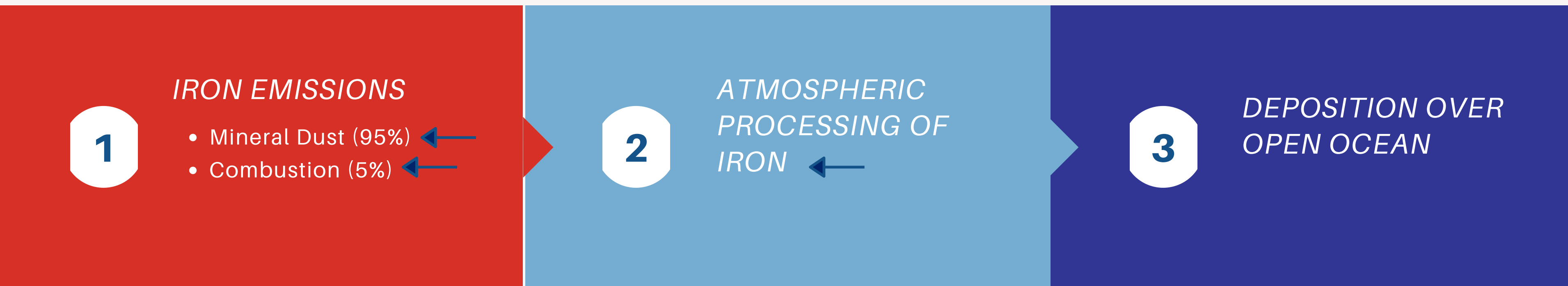
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# The atmospheric Fe cycle



Ocean productivity (specially in regions known as HNLC regions) relies upon bioavailable Fe for photosynthesis, respiration, and nitrogen fixation, which makes the Fe biogeochemical cycle a key modulator of the ocean's ability to uptake atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub>.





# Implementation in EC-Earthv3

(Myriokefalitakis et al. in prep)

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## Primary emissions of Fe associated with mineral dust:

- Dust mineralogical composition (Claquin et al. (1999) soil mineralogy dataset).

$$Fe_{emi} = Dust_{emi} \cdot \sum_{i=1}^N f_{mineral_i} \cdot f_{Fe_i}$$

(Nickovic et al., 2013)



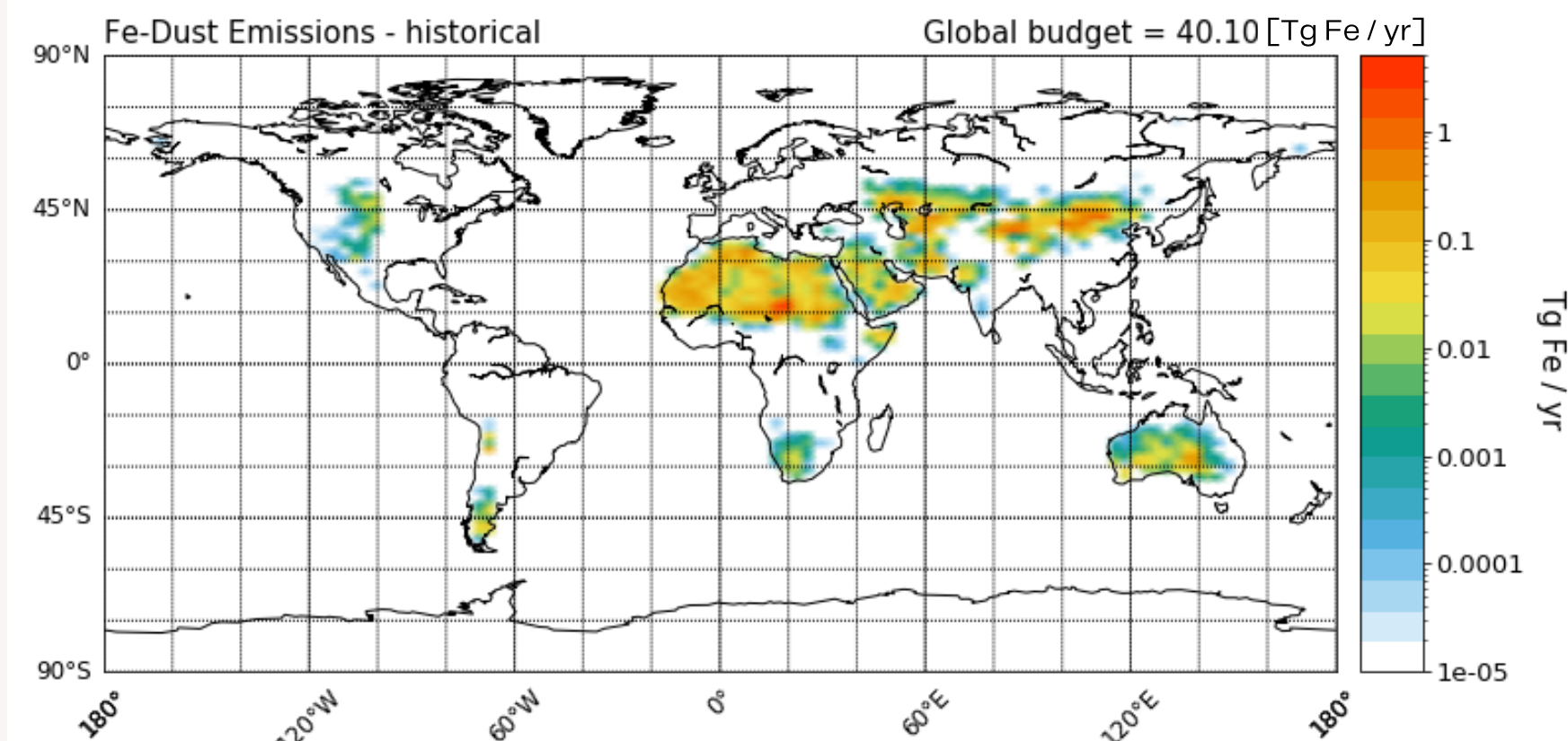
Explicit accounting for key minerals during the dissolution process.

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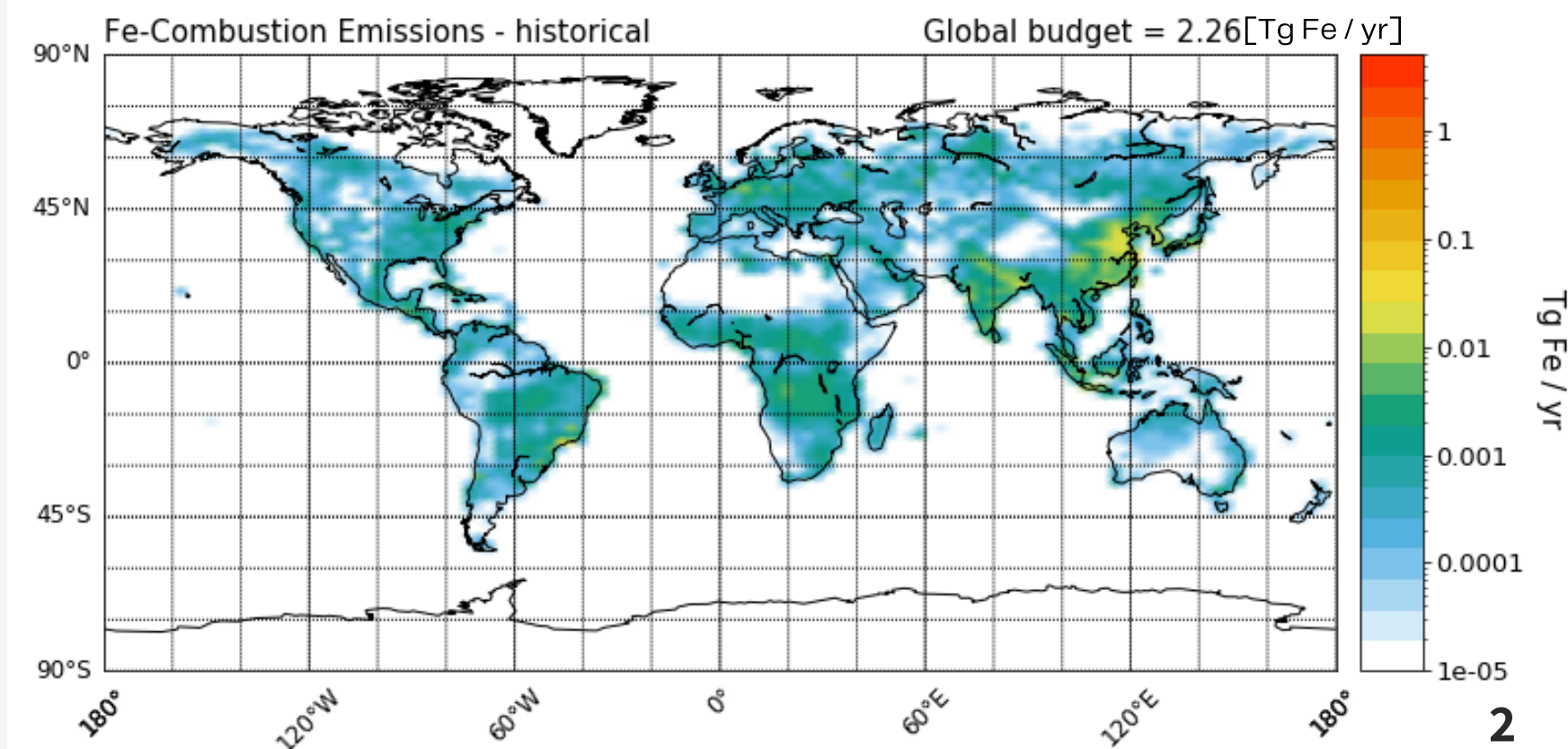
## Primary emissions of Fe associated with combustion aerosols (anthropogenic & biomass-burning) .

- Fe:BC & Fe:OC factors based on emission estimates (Ito et al. 2018) are applied for each of the emission sectors in CMIP6 emission dataset.

## Fe-Dust Emissions



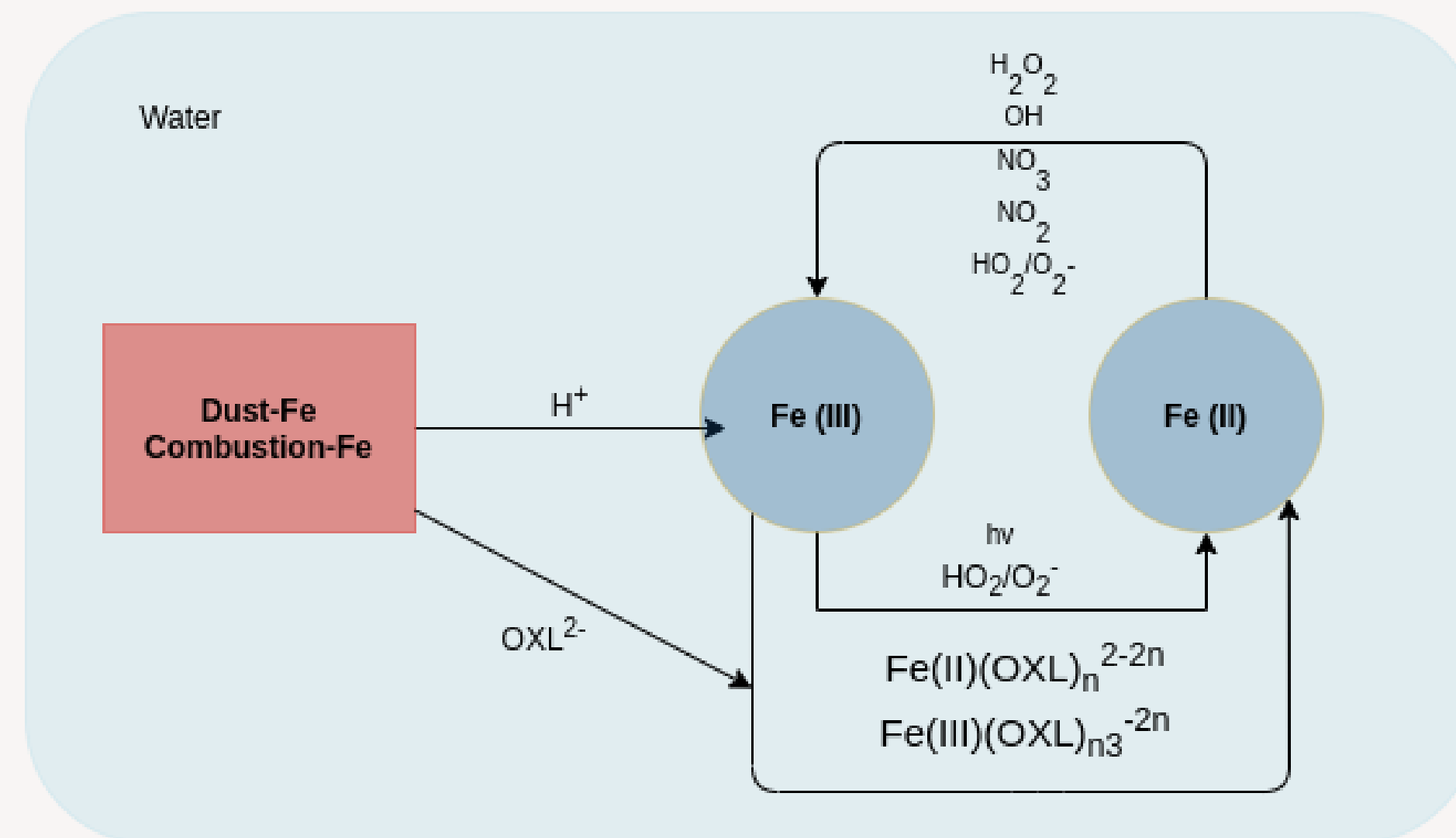
## Fe-Combustion Emissions



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## Atmospheric processing of Fe, explicit solubilization mechanism treated as a kinetic process accounting for:

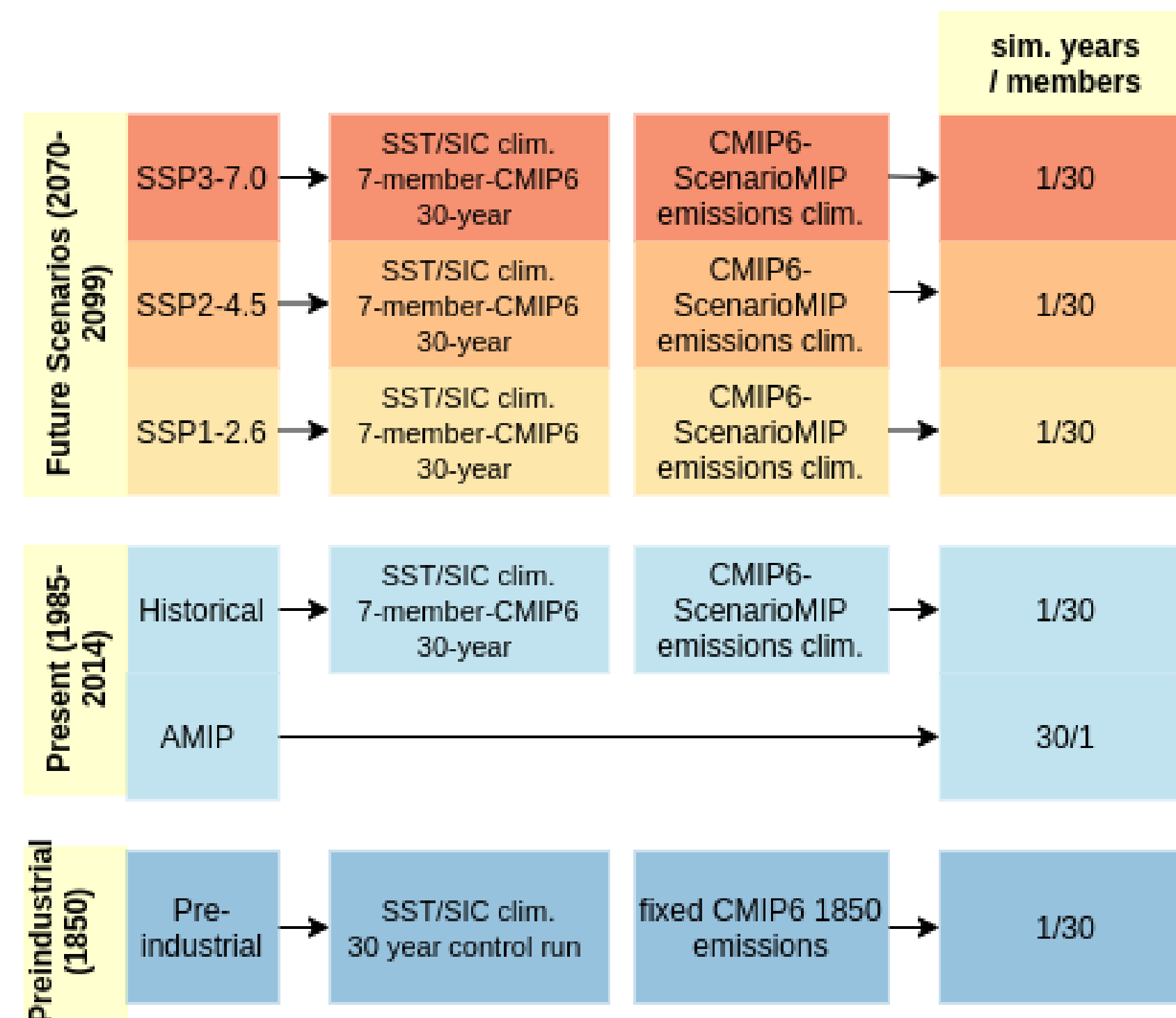
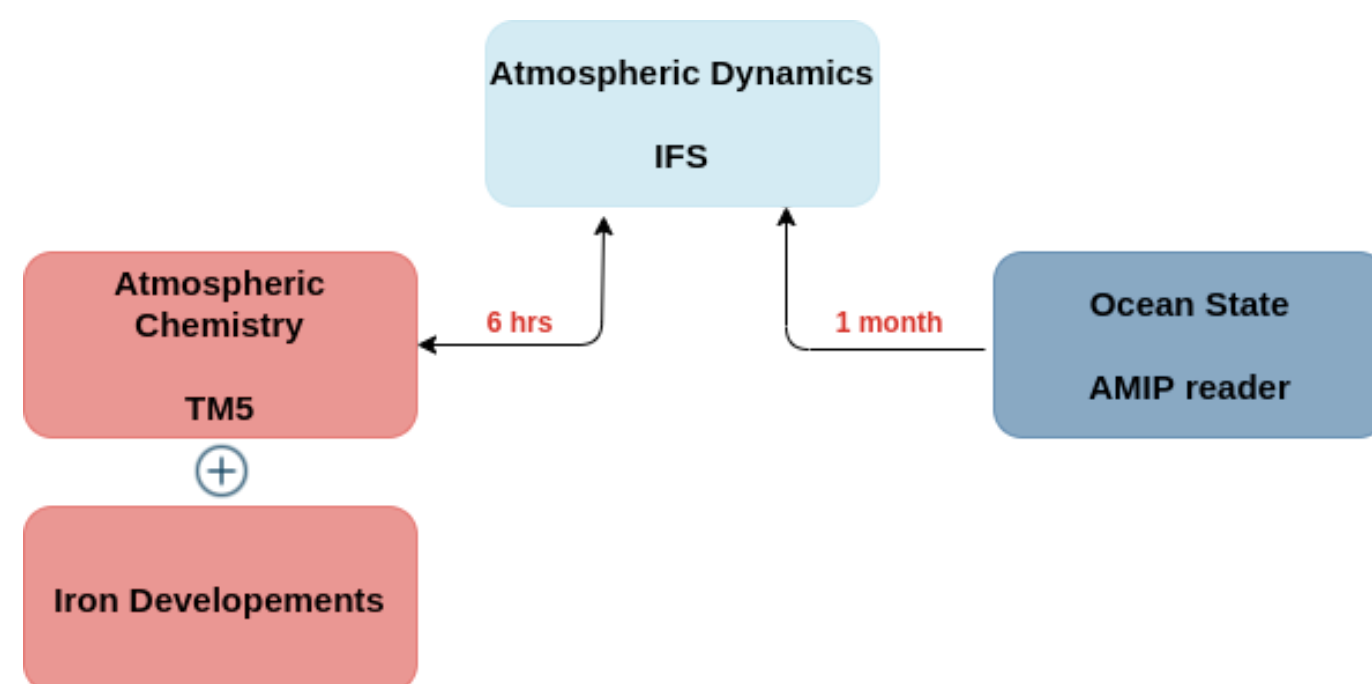
- 1) Proton-promoted dissolution (atmospheric acidity - ISORROPIA II (Fountoukis and Nenes, 2007) )
- 2) Oxalate-promoted Fe dissolution (with oxalate calculated on-line)
- 3) Photo-reductive dissolution.



# Experimental Setup

30-year long time-slice experiments with fixed sea surface temperature (sst) and sea ice concentration (sic) (feedbacks between the atmosphere and the ocean are not considered)

IFS coupled with TM5 at standard resolution:



SELECTED CMIP6 SCENARIOS

SSP1-2.6:

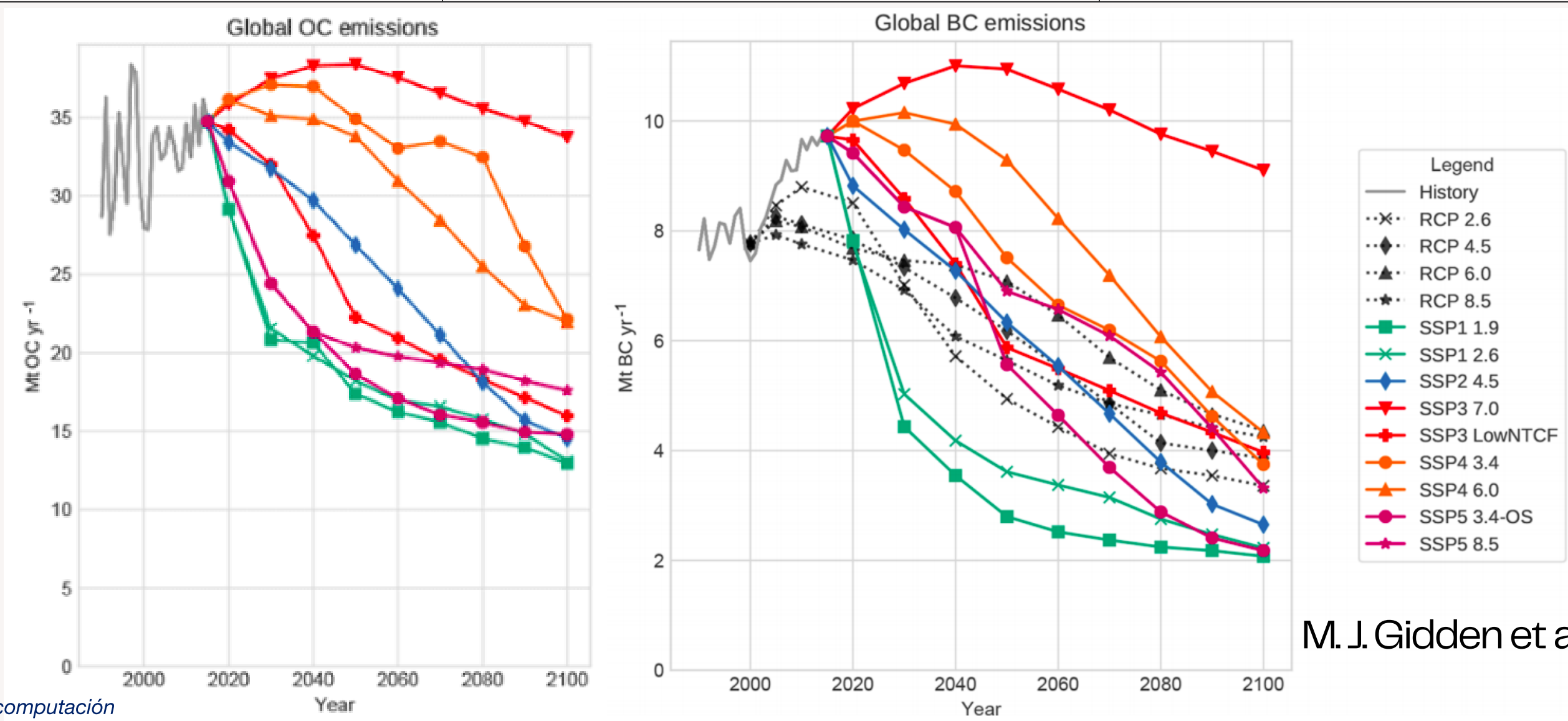
Optimistic and sustainable pathway, that lies in the low end of the range of future forcing pathways and NTFC emissions

SSP2-4.5:

Business as usual scenario that falls in the medium part of the range of future forcing pathways and NTCF emissions.

SSP3-7.0:

Medium to high end of the range of future forcing pathways with high near-term climate forcers (NTCF) emissions.



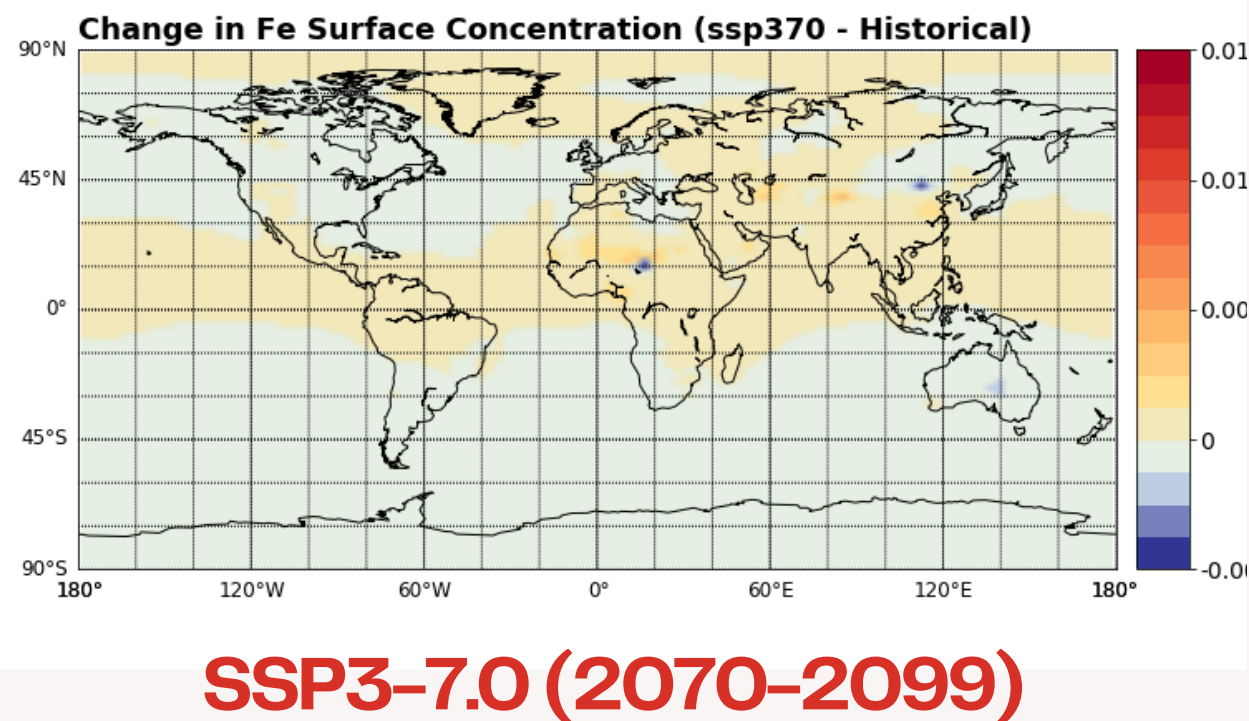
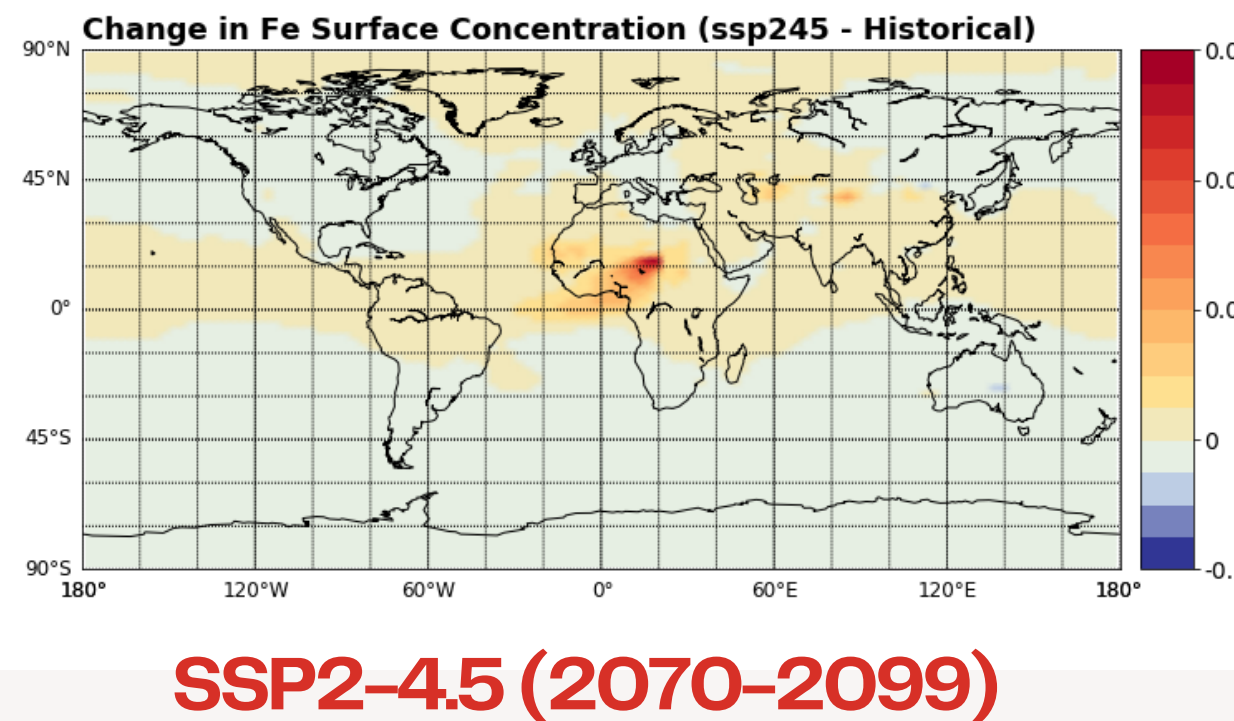
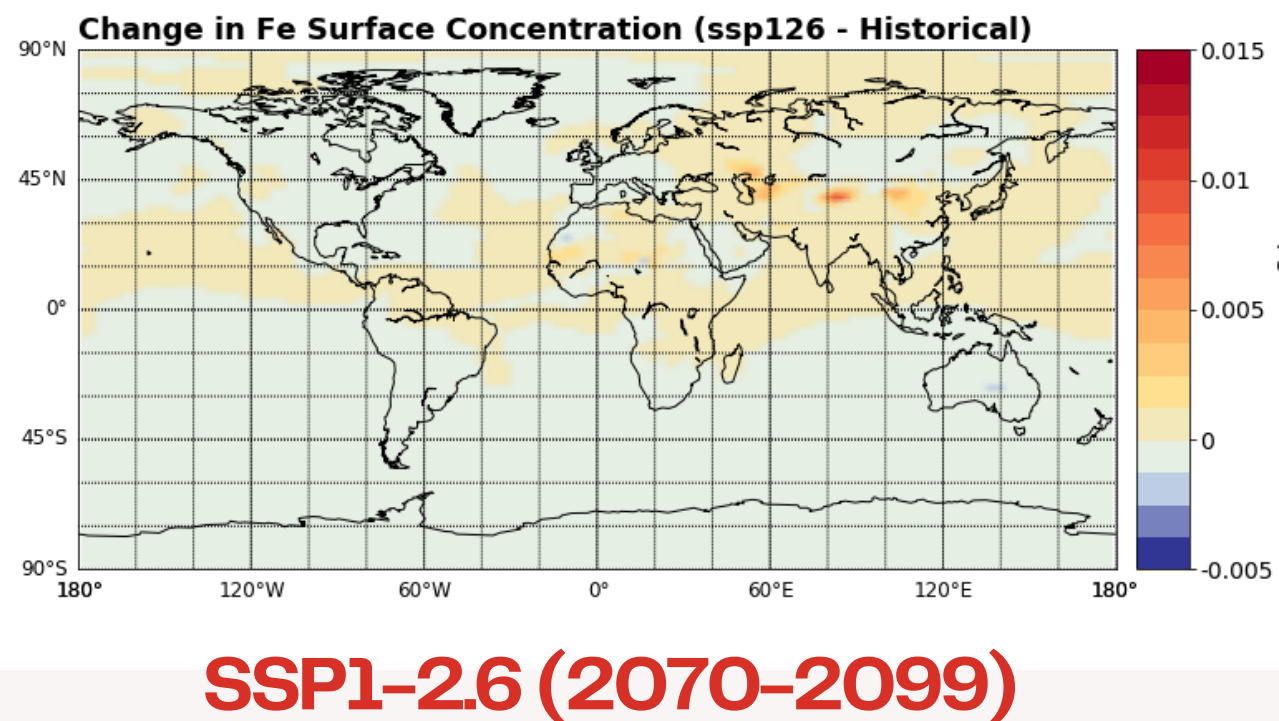
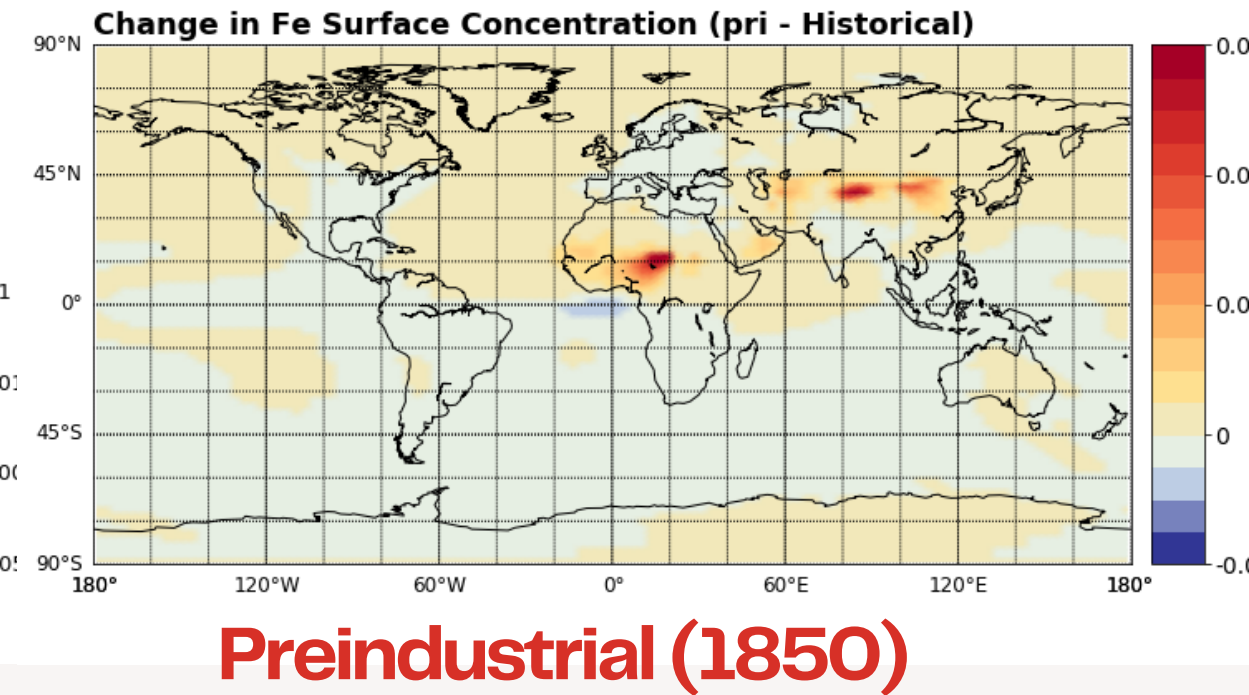
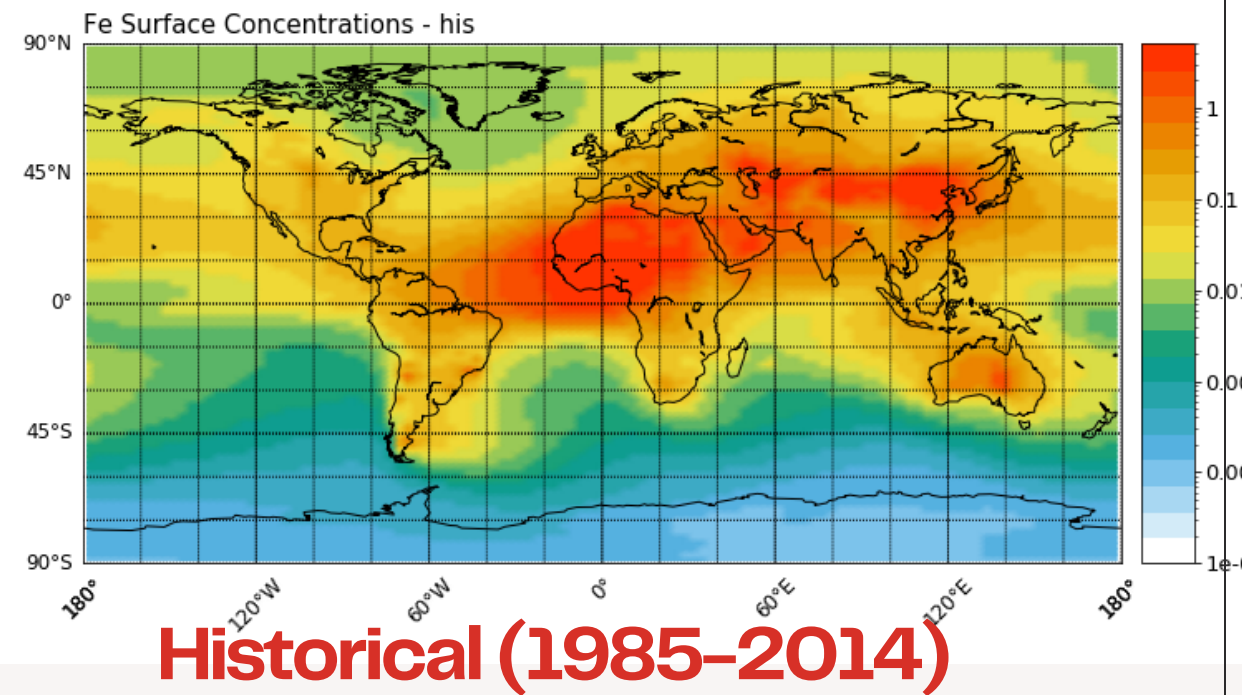
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# Results under CMIP6 scenarios



## IRON SURFACE CONCENTRATION

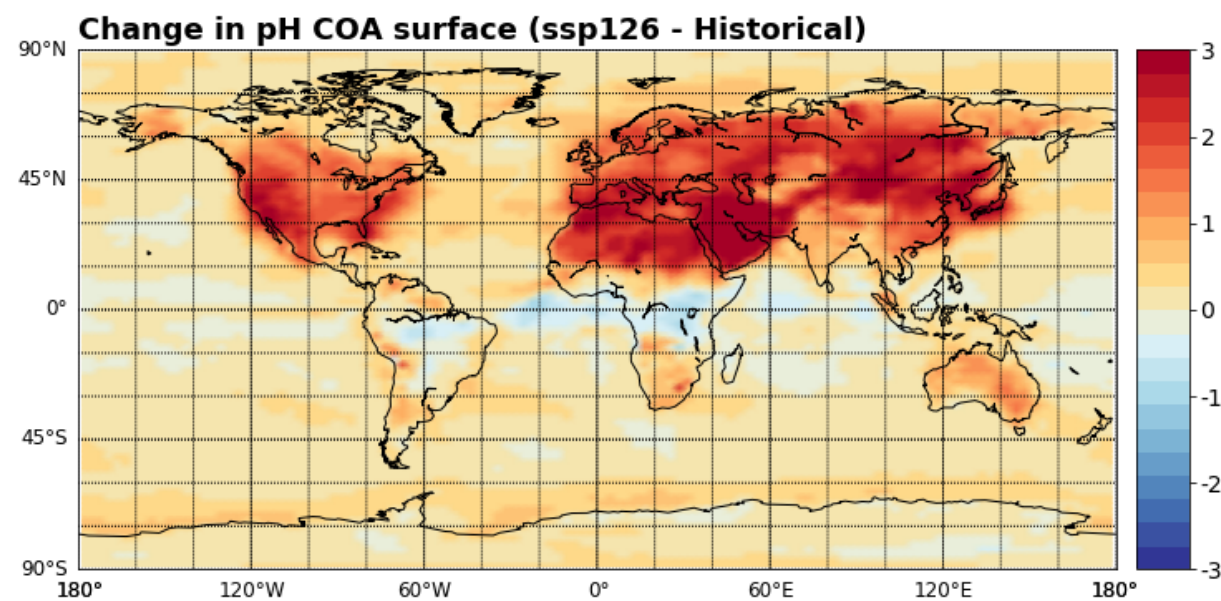
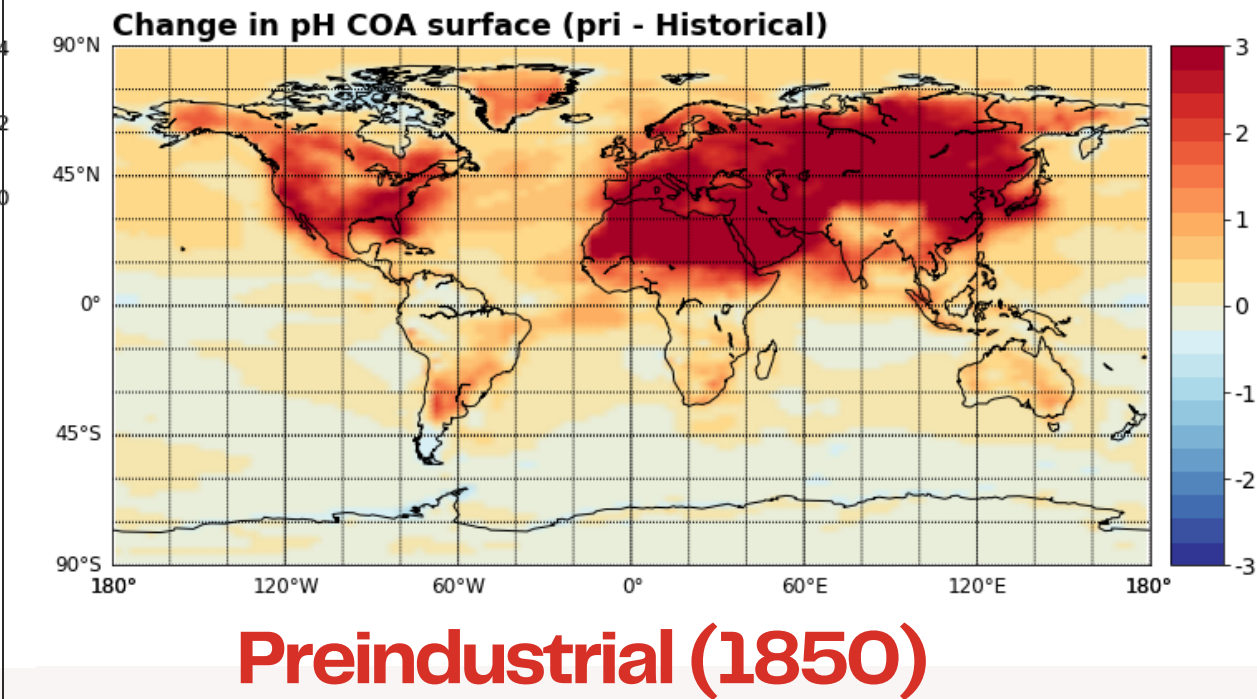
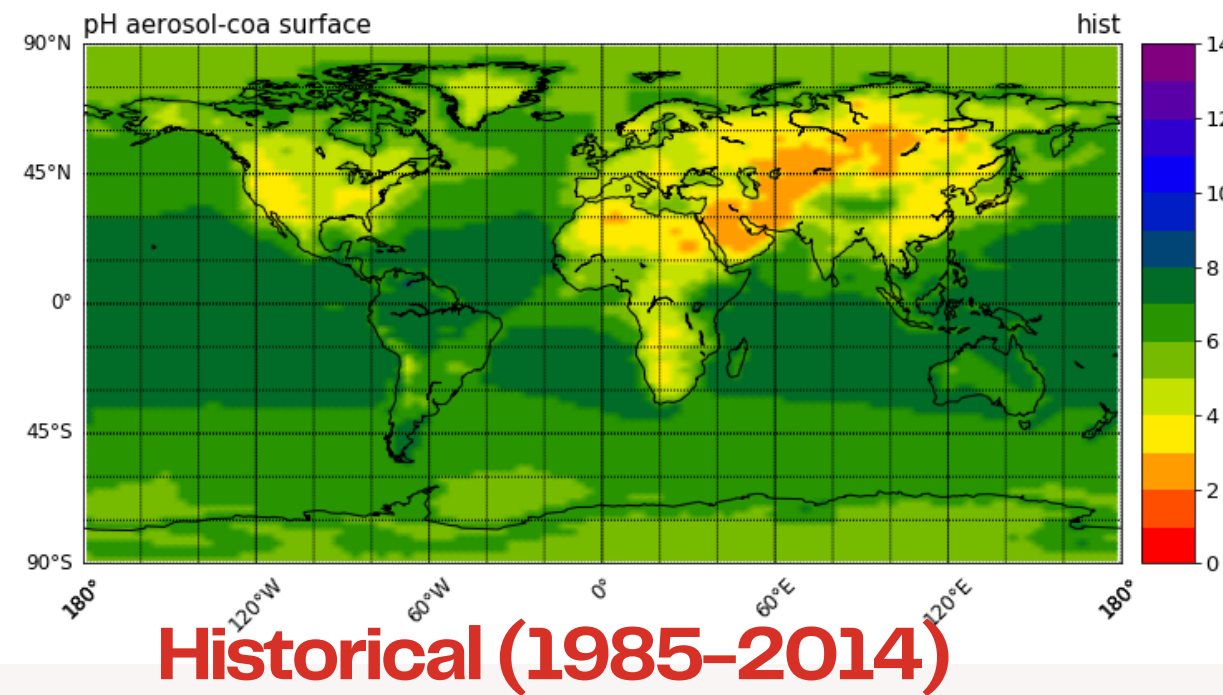
- Annual Mean budget [Tg Fe / yr] for the historical (1985-2014) sim.
- Differences between the other sim. and the historical (1985-2014) sim.



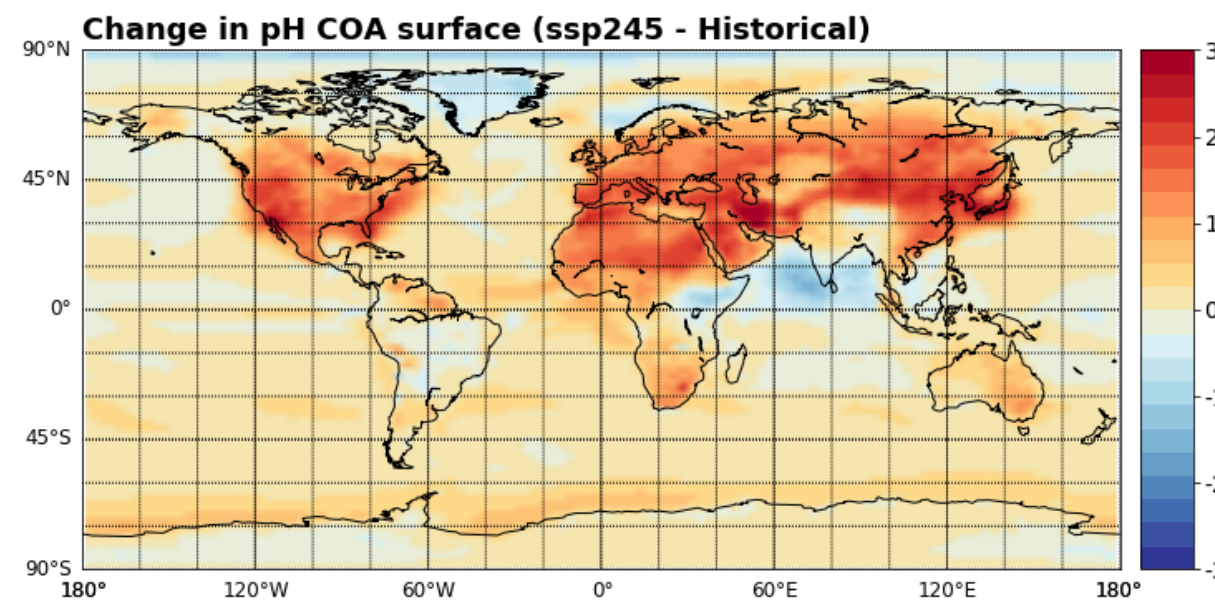


## AEROSOL COARSE PH - SURFACE

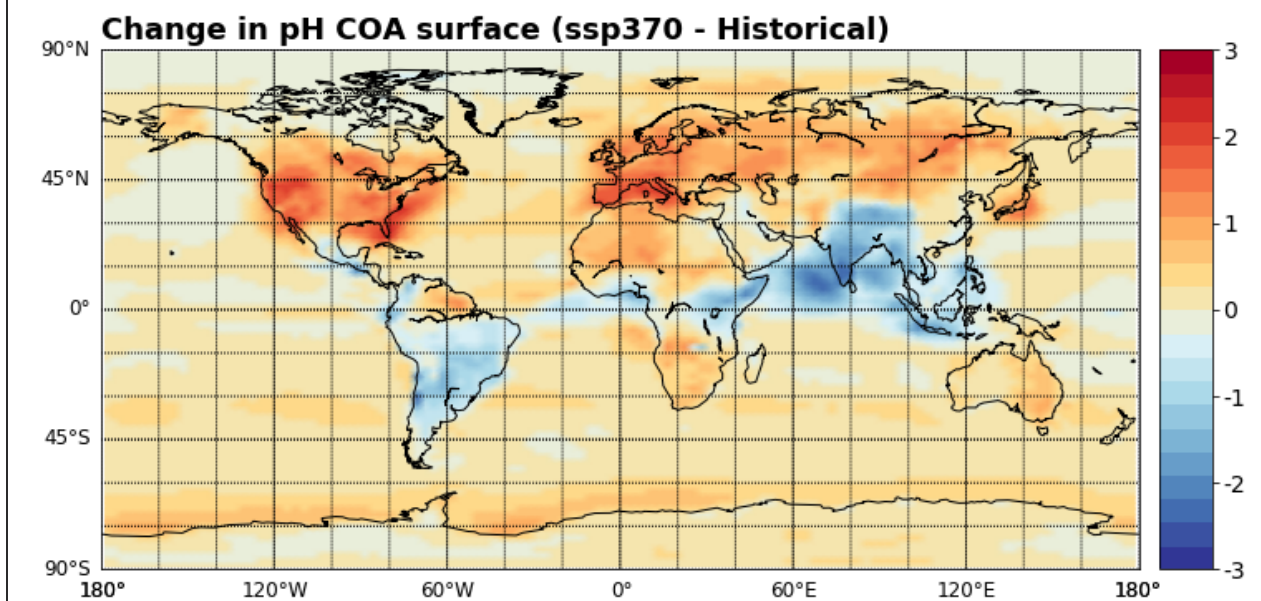
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**SSP1-2.6 (2070-2099)**



**SSP2-4.5 (2070-2099)**

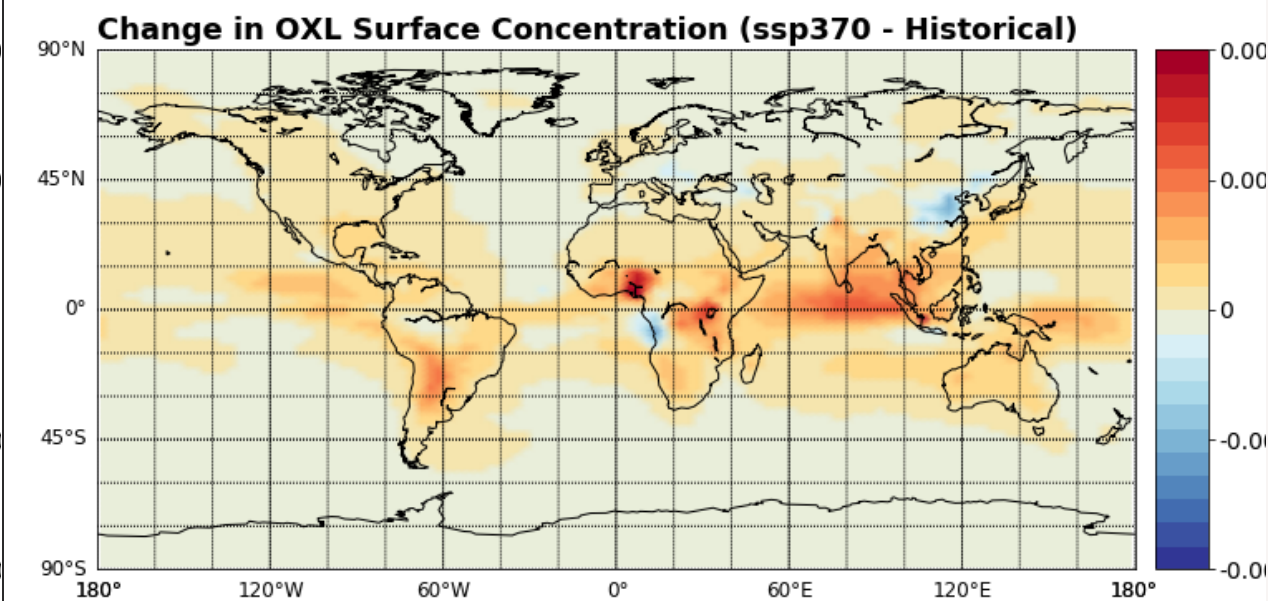
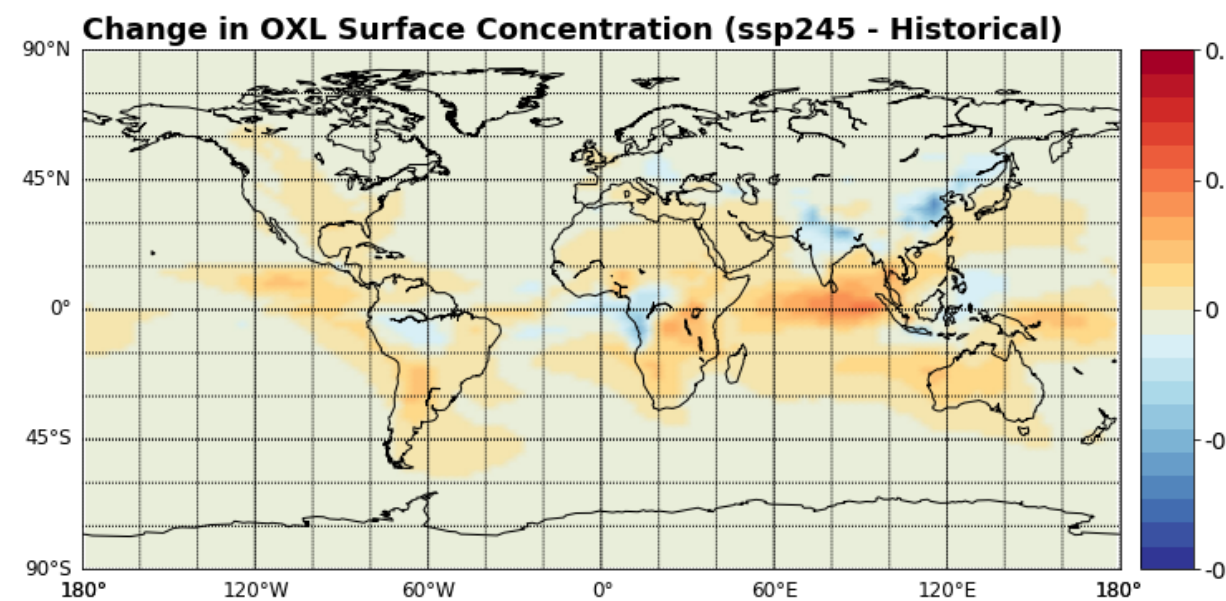
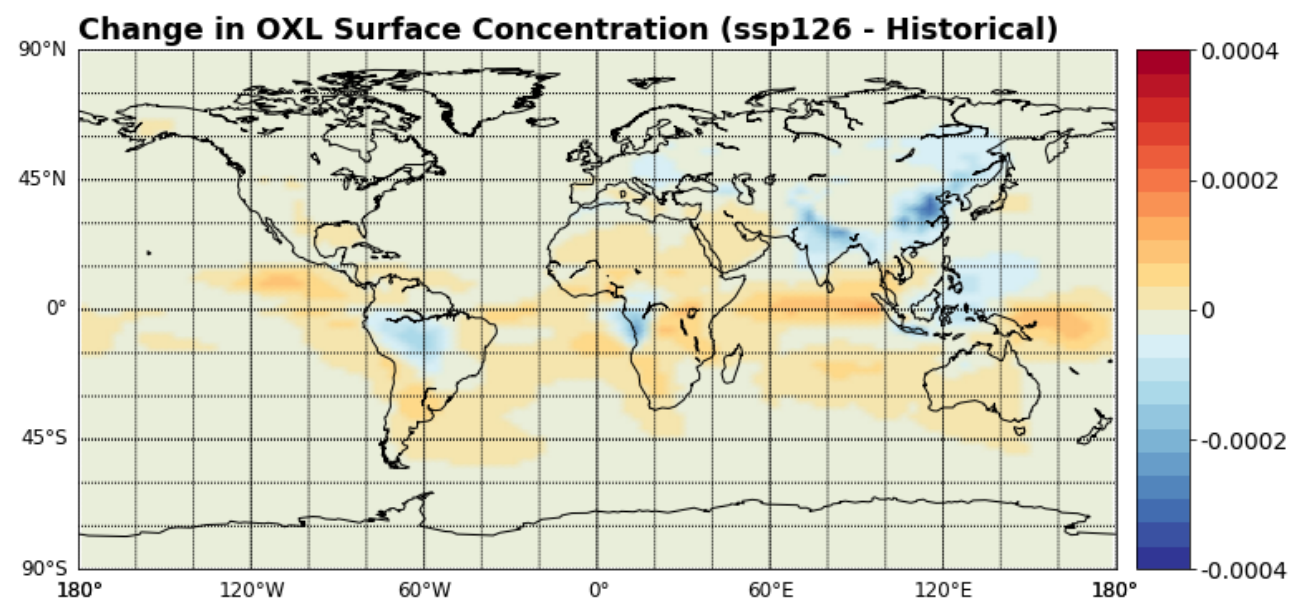
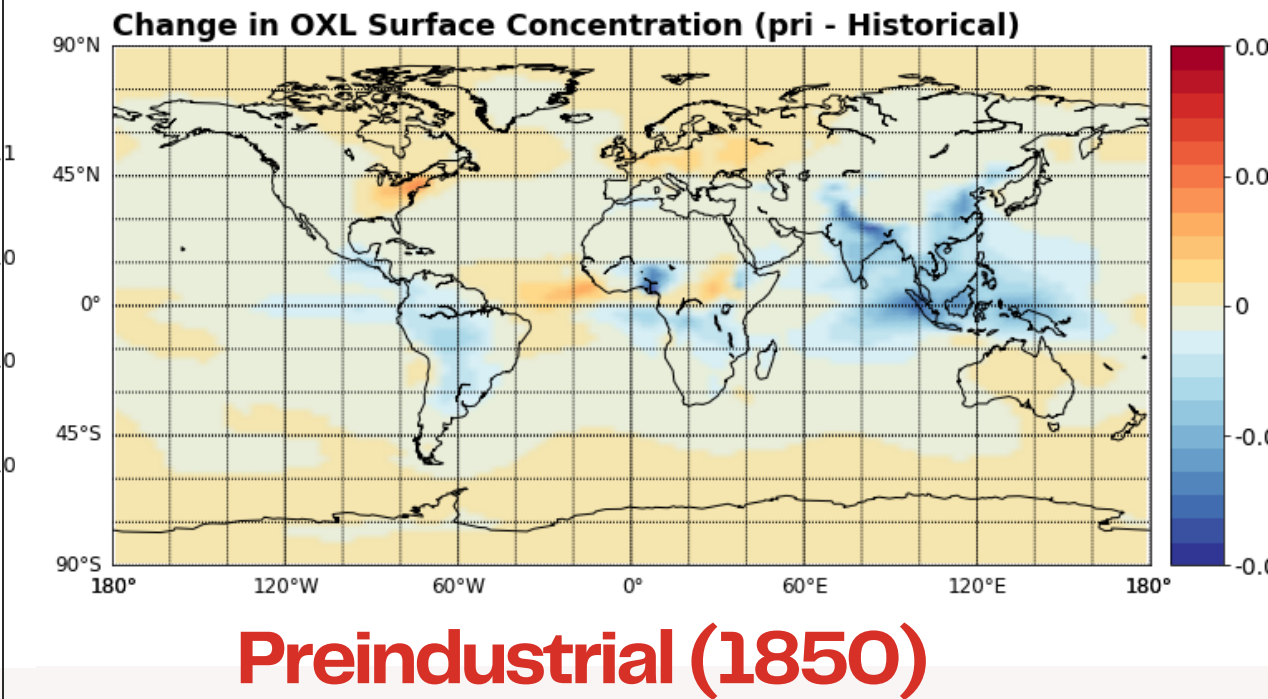
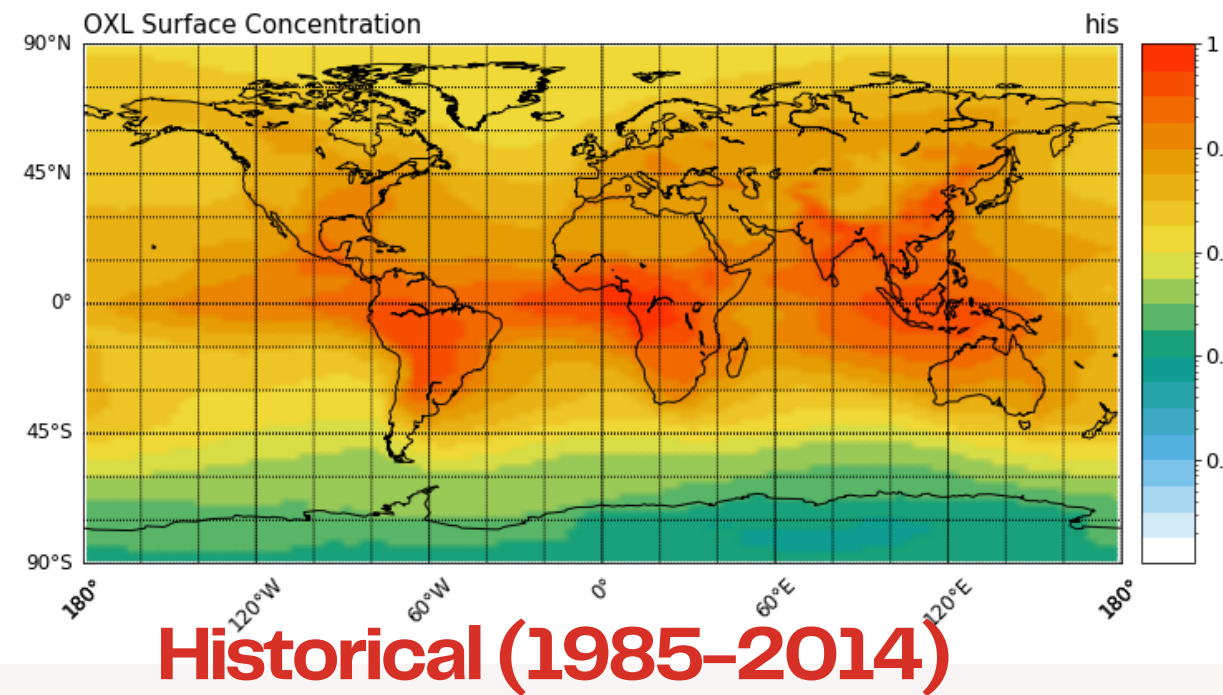


**SSP3-7.0 (2070-2099)**



## OXALATE SURFACE CONCENTRATION

- Annual Mean budget [Tg OXL / yr] for the historical (1985-2014) sim.
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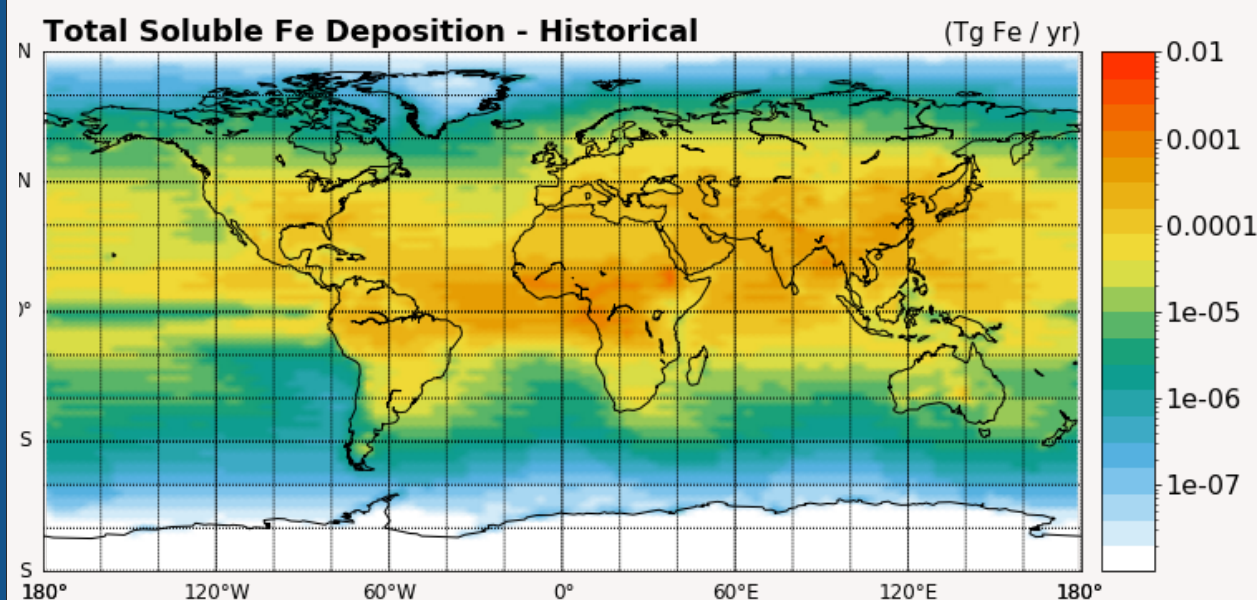




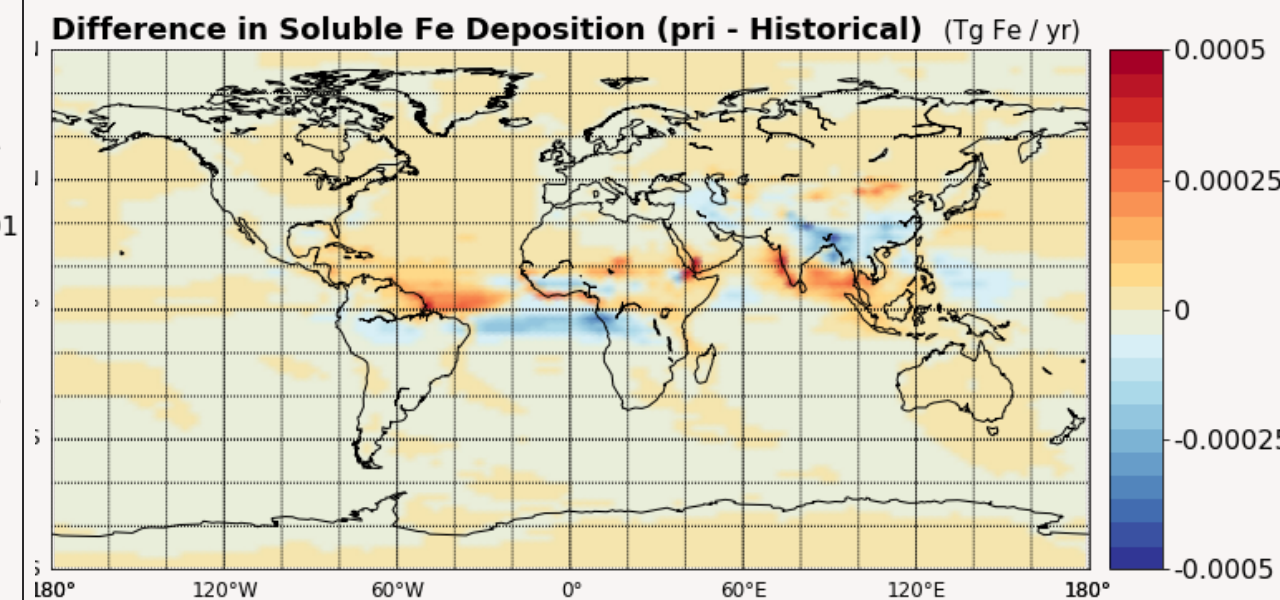
# Soluble iron deposition under different CMIP6 scenarios

## SOLUBLE IRON DEPOSITION

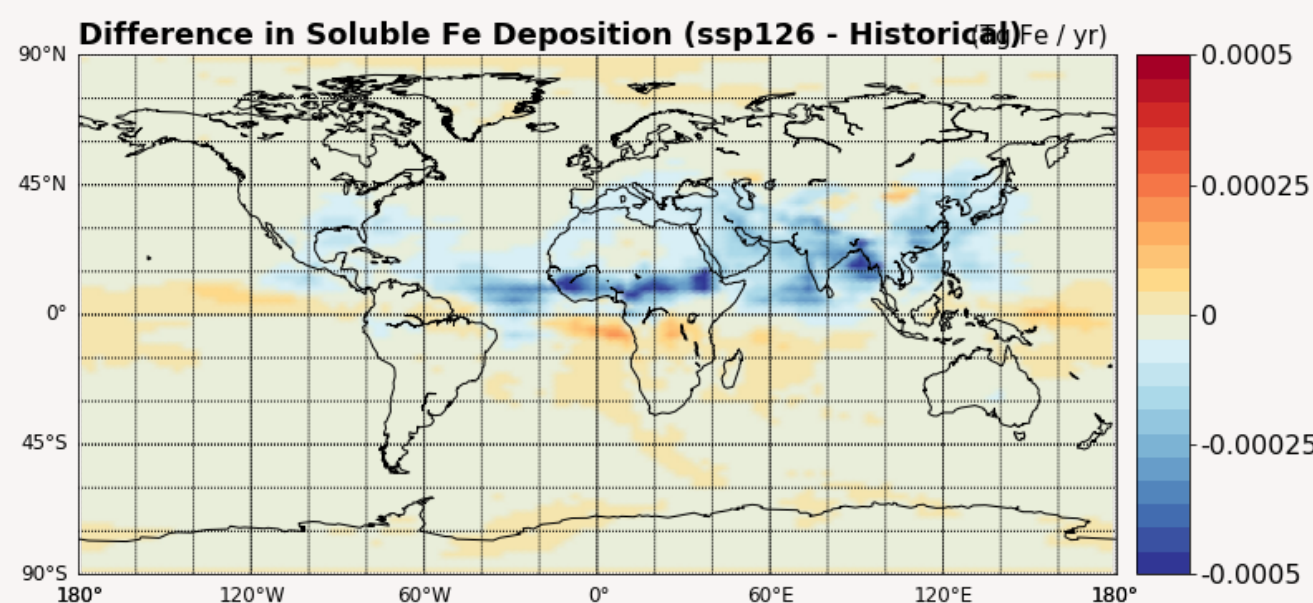
- Annual Mean budget [Tg Fe / yr] for the historical (1985-2014) sim.
- Differences between the other sim. and the historical (1985-2014) sim.



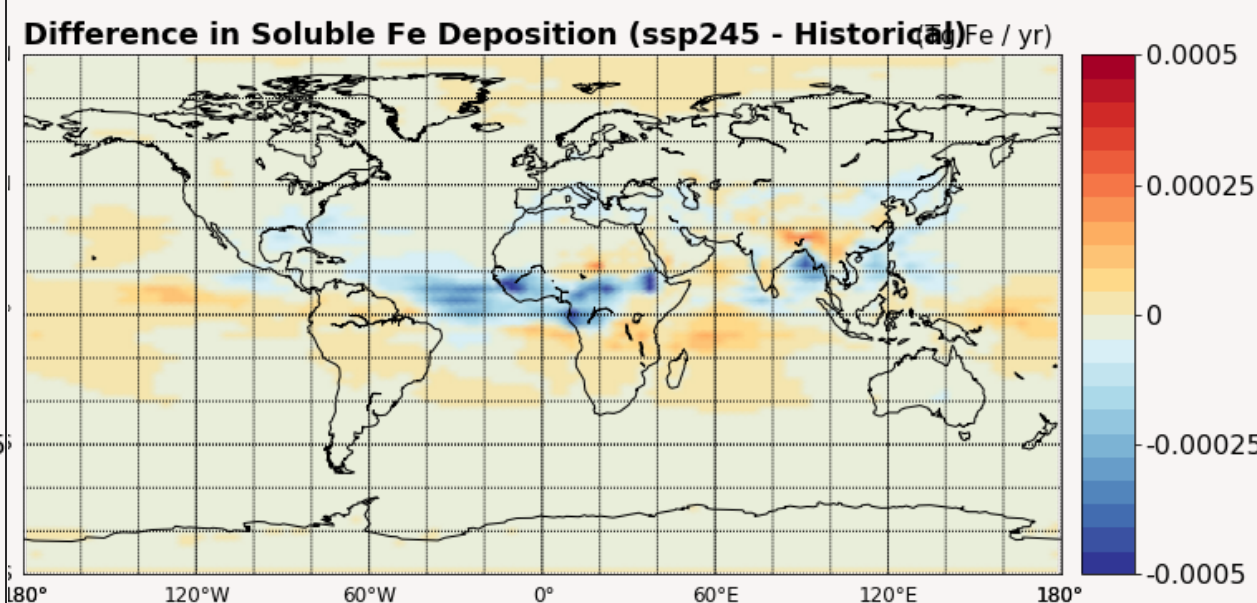
**Historical (1985-2014)**



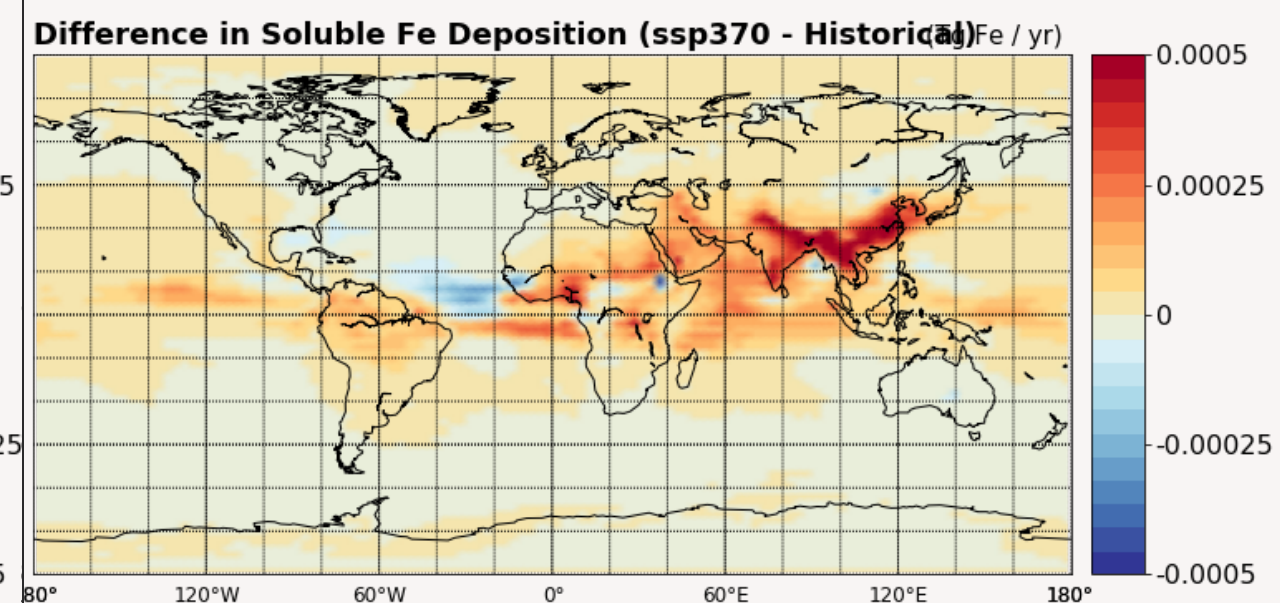
**Preindustrial (1850)**



**SSP1-2.6 (2070-2099)**



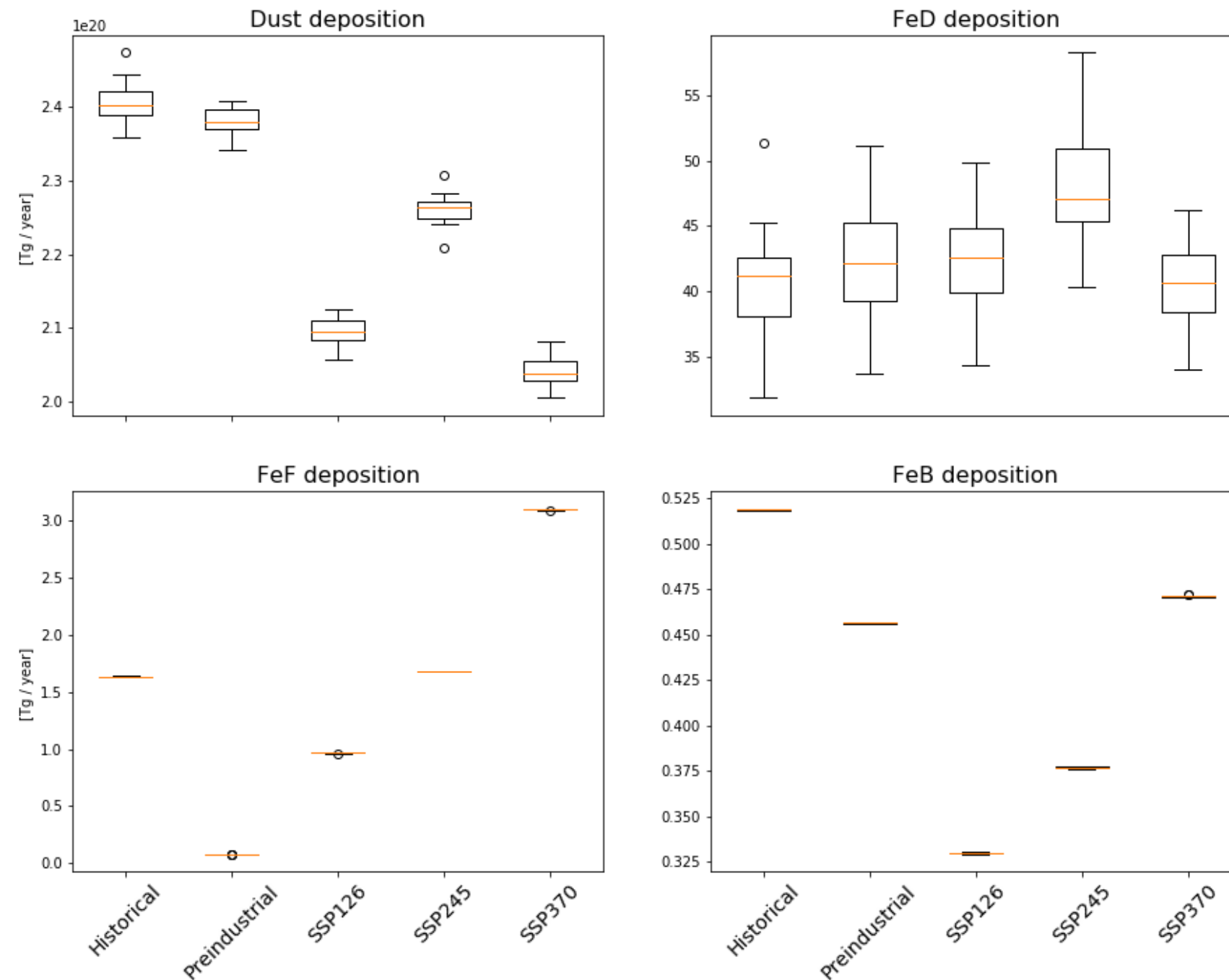
**SSP2-4.5 (2070-2099)**



**SSP3-7.0 (2070-2099)**

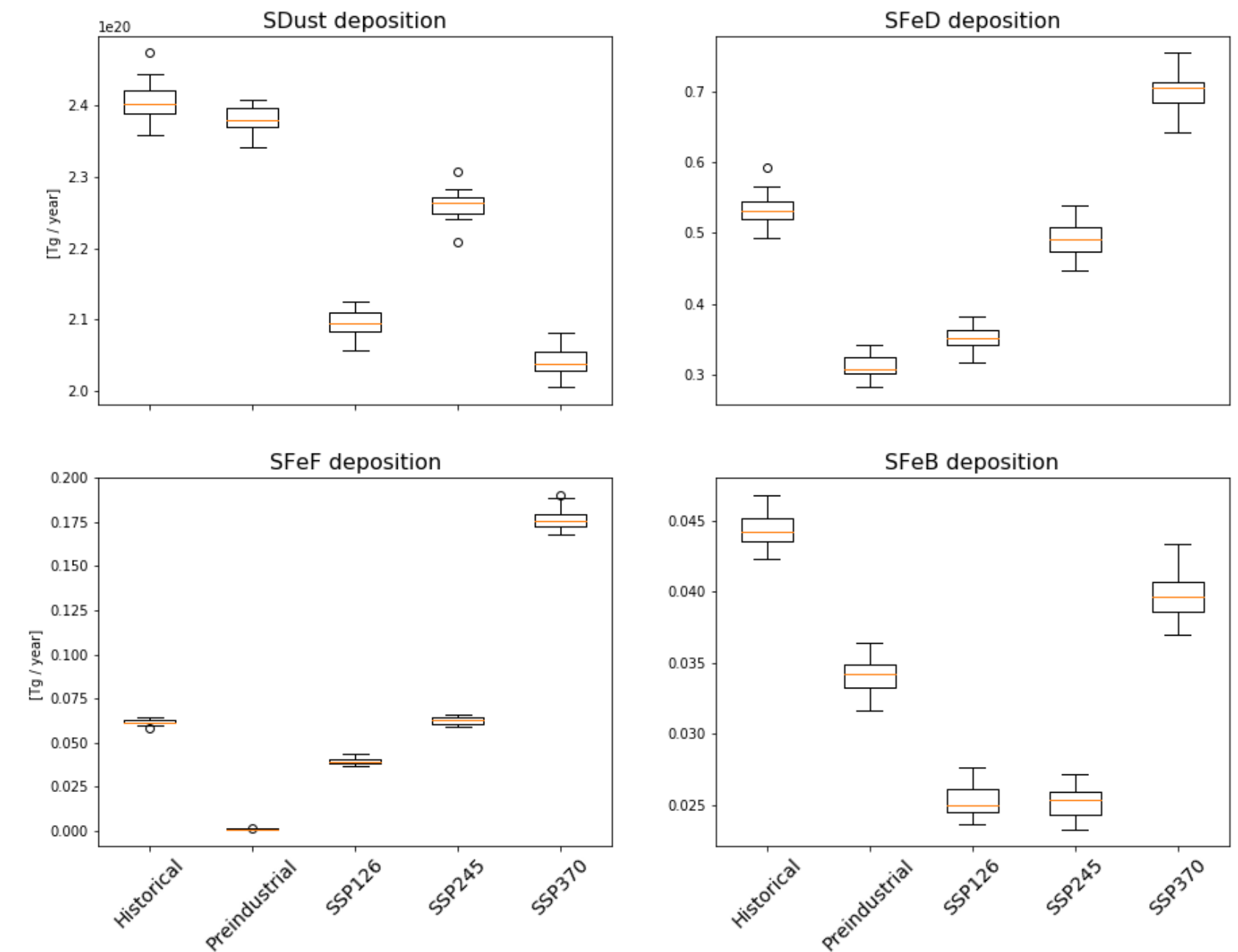
# Global annual Fe-deposition budgets

## Dust and Iron Deposition Annual Budget



## Total Fe deposition budgets

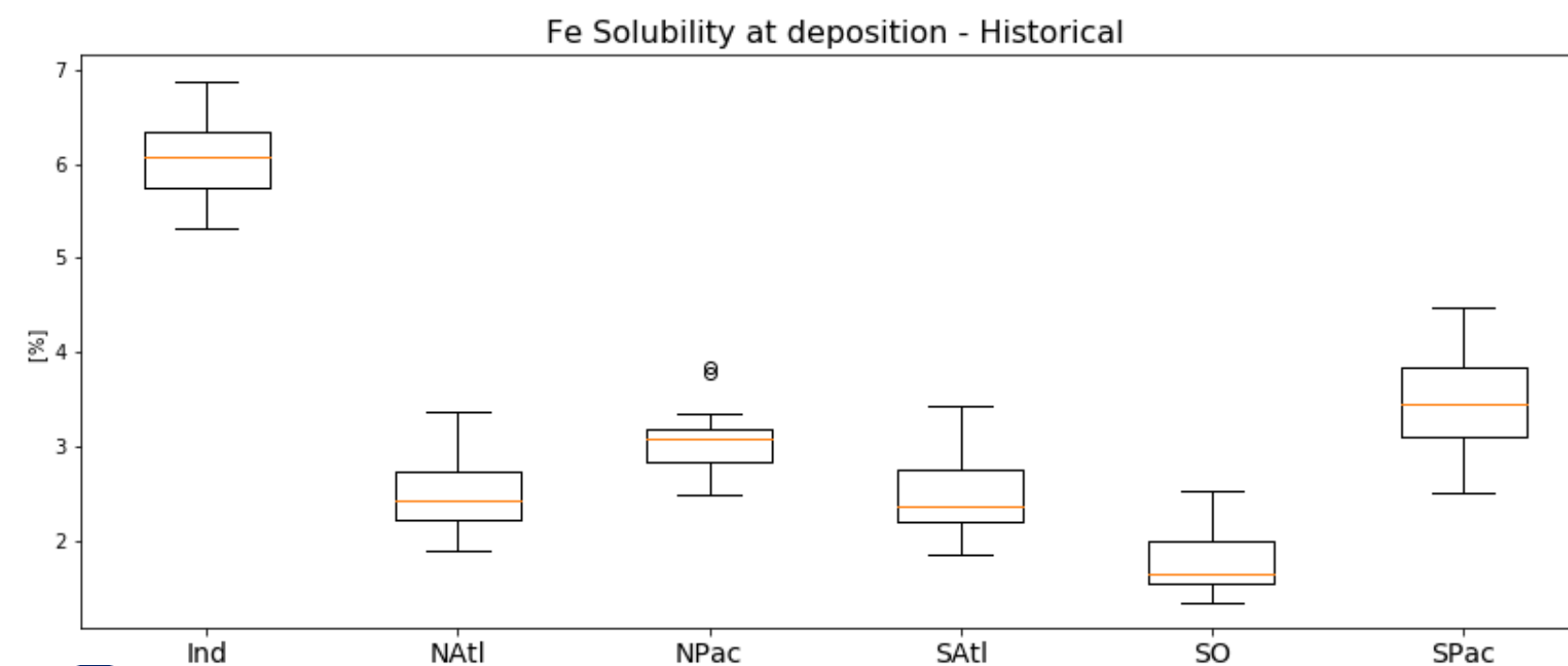
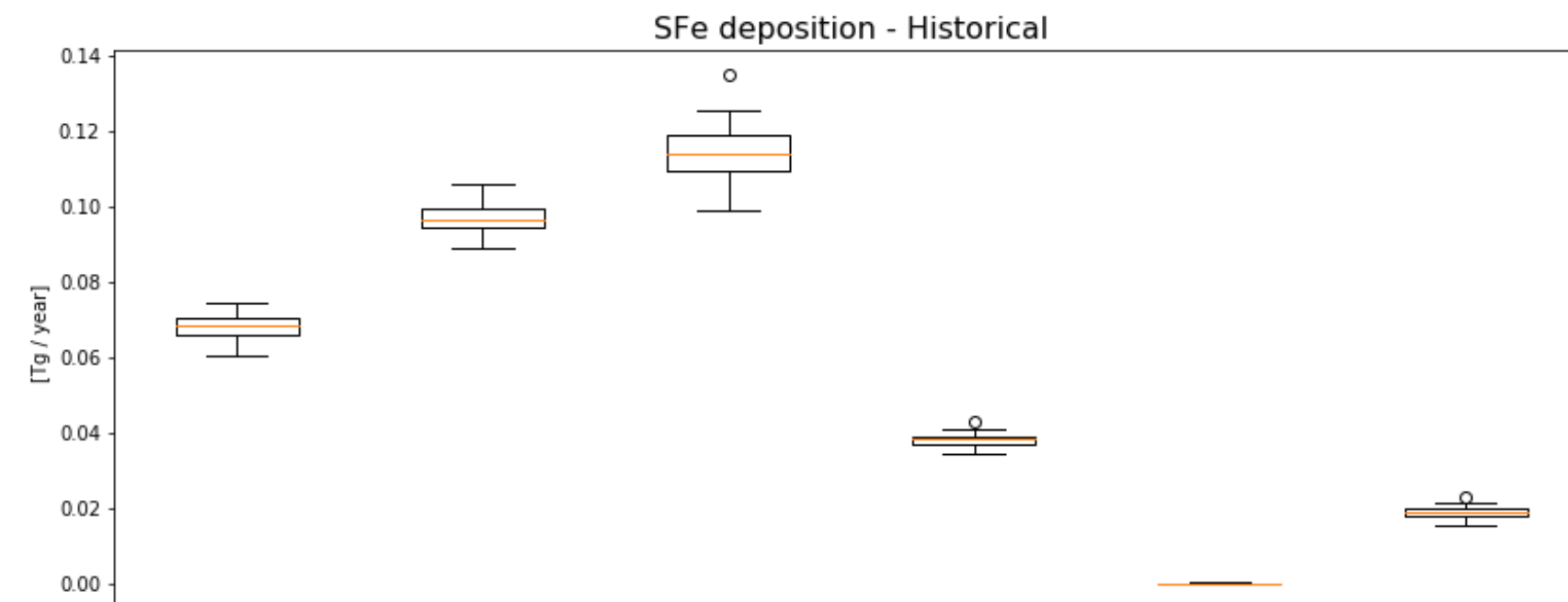
## Soluble Dust and Iron Deposition Annual Budget



## Soluble Fe deposition budgets

# Soluble-Fe deposition budgets by ocean basin

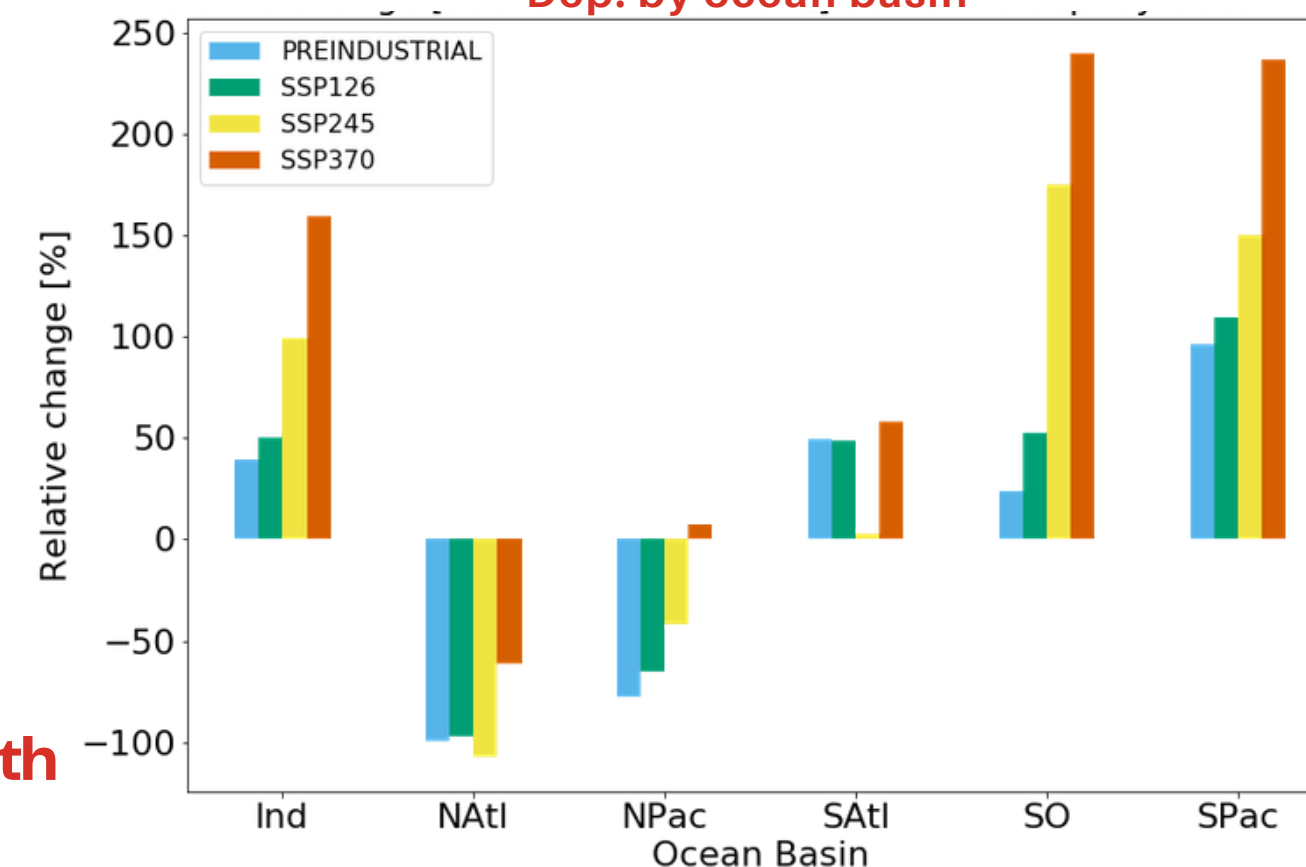
**Soluble Fe deposition budgets (up) and solubility (bottom) for the Historical run**



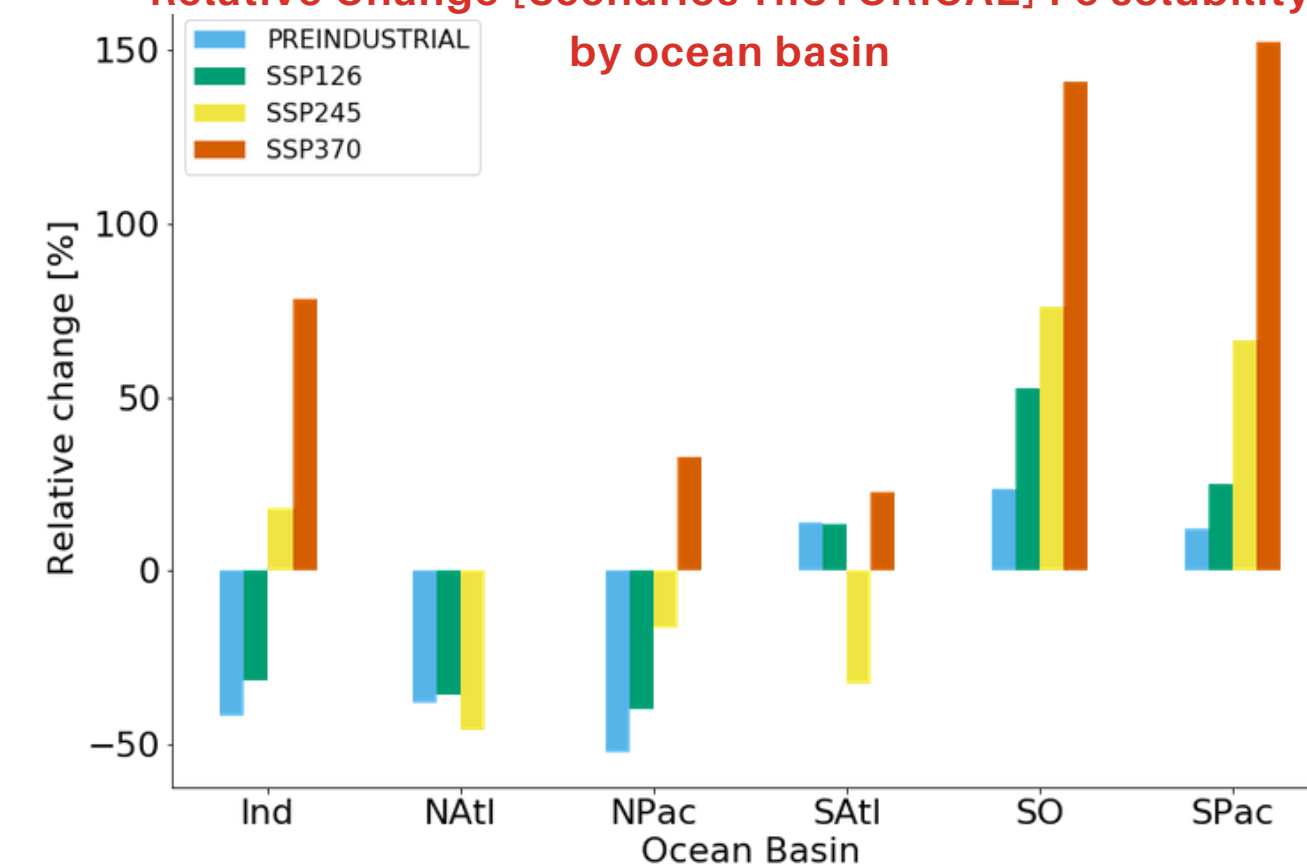
**Relative changes with the other scenarios**



**Relative Change [Scenarios-HISTORICAL] Soluble Fe Dep. by ocean basin**

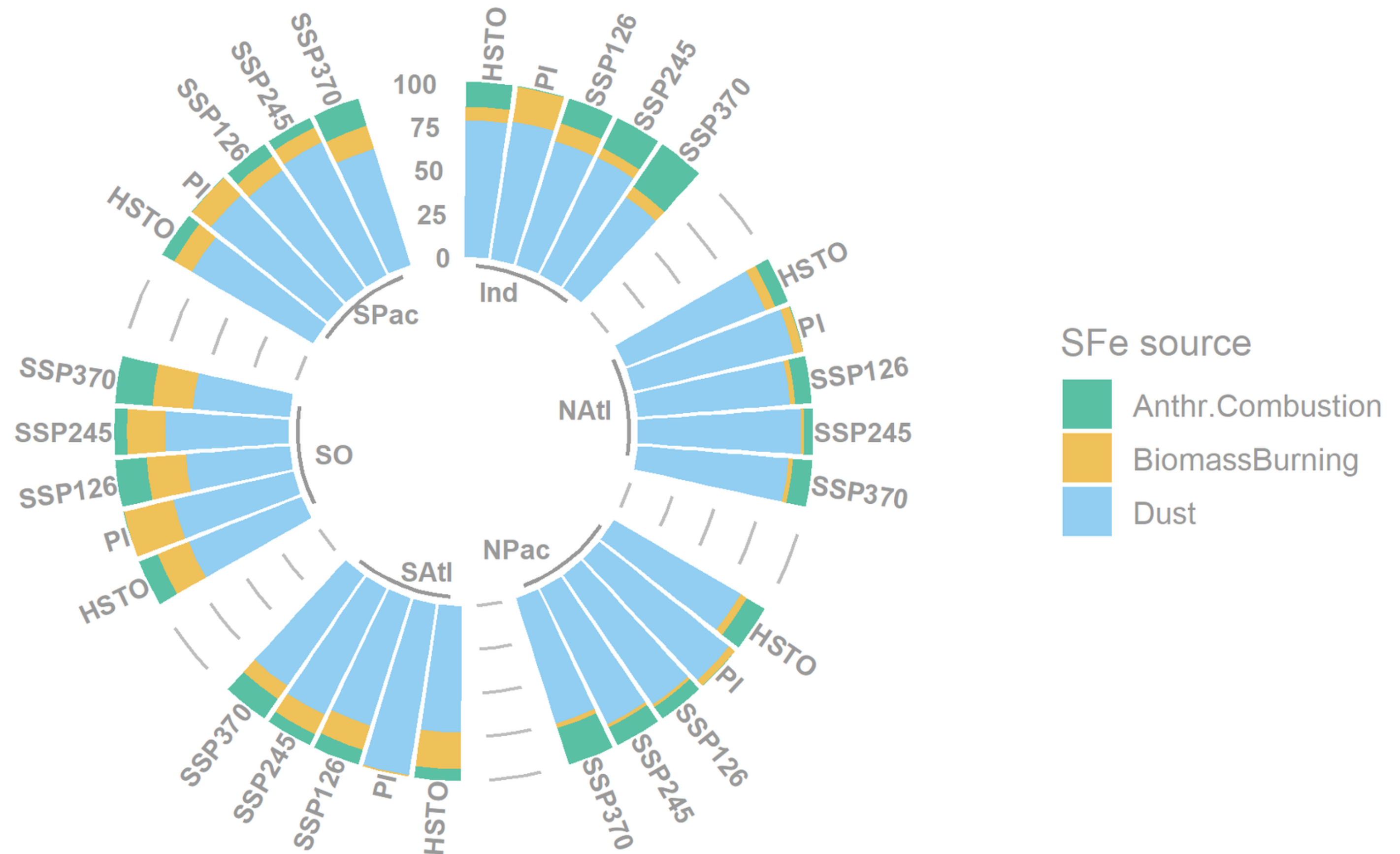


**Relative Change [Scenarios-HISTORICAL] Fe solubility by ocean basin**



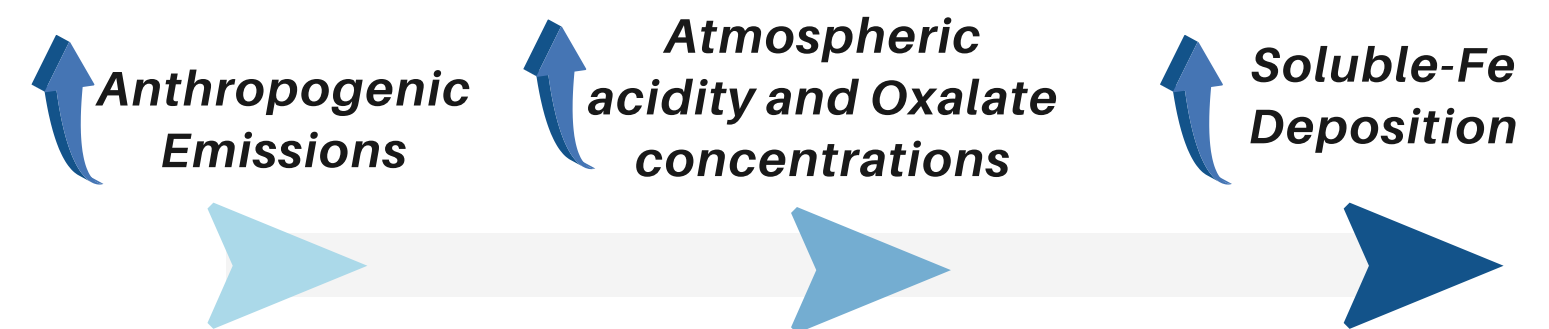


# Source contribution to Soluble-Fe deposition by ocean basin



# Conclusions

We have set a promising model baseline for EC-Earthv3 accounting for an explicit representation of the atmospheric iron cycle that allows us the quantification of soluble iron deposition under a range of scenarios.



- Soluble-Fe deposition substantially rises for SSP3-7.0, +50% with respect to present-time.
- For SSP1-2.6 & SSP2-4.5 we estimate a decrease in soluble Fe-deposition compared to present time (-17% and -39% respectively).



# Future Plans

This work will produce new soluble Fe deposition fields that could be used as input for the **ocean biogeochemical component of the next generation ESMs** (e.g., EC-Earth4)

We plan further **studies dealing with uncertainties that have not been discussed** (e.g., future land surface changes over dust emission or the use of different biomass-burning emission databases)

This work contributes to several ongoing projects:

- **NUTRIENT:** quantifying the present and future atmospheric delivery of bioavailable iron to the ocean
- **FRAGMENT:** quantifying the effects of dust mineralogy on climate
- **FORCES:** reducing the uncertainty in anthropogenic aerosol radiative forcing



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